

Corrections Advisory Council



Final Agenda

June 27, 2006

8:30 a.m.

Arlee Community Center
Arlee, MT

NOTE: A public comment period may be offered before the conclusion of each agenda item.

8:00 a.m. – Rolls, fruit, juice and coffee

8:30 a.m. – Council convenes

- Opening / Prayer – Johnny Arlee
- Drum Group
- Welcome to the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of Flathead Nation – Chairman James Steele Jr.

9 a.m. – Roll Call

Approval of minutes from March 31, 2006 meeting

9:10 a.m. – Presentation by Dr. Luana Ross, author of “Inventing the Savage: The Social Construction of Native American Criminality”

- Former Montana Women's Prison inmate
- DOC comment

10:30 a.m. – Break

10:45 a.m. – Native issues in the Department of Corrections

1. Tribal leaders' comments
2. Correctional statistics – Bob Anez, DOC communications director
3. Programming
 - a. White Bison program
 - b. Native court worker project – Reno Charette, coordinator of Indian affairs; Bill Slaughter
4. Update on MOU with tribes on probation and parole – Colleen White, DOC attorney

5. Youth Services Division efforts to address issues affecting American Indian juvenile offender population – Steve Gibson, administrator; Nancy Wikle, native American liaison

12:15 a.m. – LUNCH for council members, tribal leaders, DOC staff (Sorrell Camp)

1:15 p.m. – Continued discussion of native issues in corrections

2:15 – Old Business:

- Department administrative changes – Bill Slaughter, Mike Ferriter
- Industry program improvements at Montana Women's Prison – Gayle Lambert
- Inmate transportation system – Deputy Warden Ross Swanson
- Inmate population/budget situation – Gary Hamel, administrator, Health, Planning and Information Services Division; Rhonda Schaffer, administrator, Administrative and Financial Services Division

2:45 p.m. – General public comment

3:00 p.m. – Wrap up:

- Discussion of August meeting agenda and location
- Set October meeting date
- Adjourn